

**Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With Various Municipalities For The Operation Of U.C.E.R.T (Ulster County Emergency Response Team) – Ulster County Sheriff**

Referred to: The Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee (Chairman Briggs and Legislators Fabiano, Provenzano, Ronk, and Wishnick)

Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee, Thomas J. Briggs, and Deputy Chairman Kenneth J. Ronk offer the following:

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Emergency Response Team (UCERT) operates as a county-wide emergency response team consisting of law enforcement personnel from various agencies throughout Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, the existence of a specialized unit to provide a rapid tactical response to critical incidents will benefit Ulster County and serve as a resource for all police and law enforcement agencies within the County; and

WHEREAS, UCERT is overseen by the Sheriff of Ulster County; and

WHEREAS, local municipalities have been invited to participate in UCERT and have been given a Cooperative Agreement for execution to formalize their participation; and

WHEREAS, the Towns of New Paltz, Saugerties, Ulster, and Woodstock, and the SUNY New Paltz Police Department have active members in UCERT and are anticipated to renew their commitment for 2015 via resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that additional municipalities will elect to participate in UCERT and seek to become parties to the Cooperative Agreement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the various municipalities participating in the county-wide UCERT, for the term January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature, or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that additional municipalities that desire to participate shall be added as additional signatories to the Cooperative Agreement upon the review and authorization by the County Attorney and Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature, and move its adoption.

